propagation and development. New schemes have also been approved for augmeting patient care facilities. Such schemes include establishment of ISM and H wing in District Hospital; speciality clinics and polyclinics in allopathy hospitals, supply of drugs to the State Government dispensaries etc.

Plan allocation for the Department of Indian Systems of Medicine and Homoeopathy for 10th Plan has been kept at Rs.775.00 crores and for the Annual Plan 2002-2003 a budget provision of Rs.150.00 crores has been made.

Scholarships to SC students

*273. DR. VIJAY MALLYA: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received a proposal for granting scholarships to Scheduled Castes post-matriculation students from the Government of Karnataka involving an amount of Rs.810.34 lakhs; and

(b) what is the present stage of this proposal and by when a decision is expected and the funds would be released?

THE MINISTER OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (DR. SATYA NARAYAN JATIYA):

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The amount has already been released to Government of Karnataka on 12-08-2002.

Progress of SJSRY in Himachal Pradesh

*274. SHRI ANIL SHARMA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government holds periodical meetings with Bankers and representatives of Himachal Pradesh State to review the progress of implementation of Swarna Jyanti Shahri Rozgar Yojana;

(b) if so, the number of such meetings held during the last three years, year-wise; and

(c) the status of SJSRY emerged from such meetings?